

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-18 (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) An image-forming optical system, comprising a first prism, a second prism and an aperture stop interposed between the first prism and the second prism, wherein:

said first prism comprises:

a first-first transmitting surface through which a light beam transmits,

a first-second reflecting surface for reflecting a light beam, and

a first-third transmitting surface through which a light beam transmits, wherein said first-first transmitting surface, said first-second reflecting surface and said first-third transmitting surface are arranged in this order in an optical path between entrance of a light beam from said first prism and emergence of said light beam from said first prism,

said second prism comprises:

a second-first transmitting surface through which a light beam transmits,

a second-second reflecting surface for reflecting a light beam,

a second-third reflecting surface for reflecting a light beam, and

a second-fourth transmitting surface through which a light beam transmits, wherein: said second-first transmitting surface, said second-second reflecting surface, said second-third reflecting surface and said second-fourth transmitting surface are arranged in this order in an optical path between entrance of a light beam in said second prism and emergence of said light beam from said second prism,

said second-first transmitting surface is opposed to said second-second reflecting surface,

said second-third reflecting surface is opposed to said second-fourth transmitting surface,

said first-second reflecting surface, said second-second reflecting surface and said second-third reflecting surface have each a rotationally asymmetric surface shape for giving power to a light beam,

said first prism has an equal sign of power in two orthogonal directions,

said second prism has an equal sign of power in two orthogonal directions, and

[[an image is formed only on a light beam emergent side of said second-fourth transmitting surface]] the image-forming optical system does not form an intermediate image.

20. (Currently Amended) An electronic camera, comprising:

an image-forming optical system as recited in claim [[1]] 19;

an image pickup device placed in an image plane formed by said image-forming optical system;

a recording medium for recording image information received by said image pickup device; and

an image display device that receives image information from one of said recording medium and said image pickup device to form an image for observation.

21. (Currently Amended) A cellular phone, comprising:

an input unit for inputting information;

a display unit for displaying the information;

a voice input unit;

a voice output unit;

an antenna; and

an image pickup optical system for imaging an object;

wherein said image pickup optical system has said image-forming optical system
according to claim [[1]] 19.